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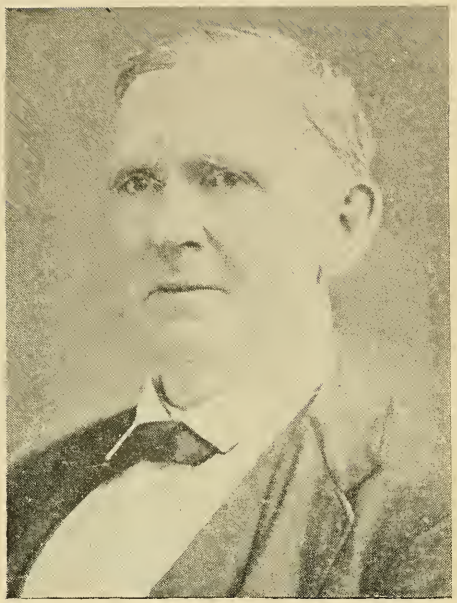
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AMOS KENT 6th

of Chester, N. H., father of Amos Kent 7th, of Kentwood, La.

AMOS KENT 7th
OF KENTWOOD





MRS. AMOS KENT 7th
KENTWOOD, LA.

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COLONIAL DAYS

"The good ship Mary-and-John from London" arrived in Ipswich, Massachusetts, in 1634. Among the passengers were Richard Kent, Sr., and his sons Richard, Jr. and James.

Richard Kent, Sr. and his wife, Emma, moved to Newbury in 1635 and resided on Kent Street until his death in 1654. Richard Kent, Jr. established an estate on Kent Island in 1635 and was later joined there by his brother James. This estate was kept in the family for many years by Richard, Jr., who bequeathed it to the oldest male descendant in each generation. Richard, Jr., died Nov. 1689 without issue. His brother James, left one son, John[2] who inherited the island. John's son, Col. Richard Kent[3] died in 1740. His son, Capt. Richard Kent[4] and his wife Anna Hale Kent, had three sons, Joseph[5], and Stephen[5] were twins born May 20, 1741 and Moses born 1752. For several years Joseph and his twin brother, Stephen engaged in a lawsuit as to ownership of Kent Island. Stephen advised by his father-in-law commenced an action and endeavored to prove himself the older, but he failed. The General Court annulled the proceedings, and the property was divided. Out of this suit and other differences there grew an alienation and the brothers were never reconciled. Later the island passed to Joshua N. Kent. At the present time, 1947, it is owned by the writer, J. P. Marquand.

Joseph Kent[5], son of Capt. Richard[4], married first Jane Moody, Aug. 3, 1768. She had eight children: 1. Joseph[6], born June 22, 1769. 2. Daniel born 1773, died 1783; 3. Paul, born Dec. 6, 1772; 4. Amos[6], born Oct. 16, 1774; 5. Nancy, born Jan. 21, 1777; 6. Moody[6], born April 22, 1779; 7. Philip born 1781: Daniel born 1783, died young. Joseph's second wife, Jane Dole Wilcomb, married Oct. 2, 1785. She had three children: 9. Jane, born June 22, 1786; 10. Sarah, born Sept. 18, 1787; 11. Joseph[7] born Feb. 1791. In 1799 Joseph[5] and his family left the Island and moved into the town of Newburyport.

Amos Kent[6] married Nov. 27, 1799 and settled in Chester, N. H.; there he built a home "where Mrs. Aiken formerly lived."

NORTHERN RELATIVES

AMOS KENT[6], son of Joseph[5], born on Kent Island October 16, 1774. He married Nov. 27, 1799, Abigail Atherton of Amherst, N. H., born Oct. 22, 1775. He died at his homestead in Chester, N. H., June 18, 1824. His wife died in Boston Feb. 9, 1860. They had nine children:

1. CHARLES[8]—Born Jan. 1, 1801; went to South America.

2. ABIGAIL ATHERTON[2]—Born August 27, 1802; married Robert Means of Lowell, Oct. 28, 1834. She was hostess at the "President's House" in Washington in 1853-54 for Pres. and Mrs. Franklin Pierce, as Mrs. Pierce was a semi-invalid saddened by the loss of an only son in a train wreck. She died Aug. 4, 1857 at Amherst.

3. MARY MASON—Born Feb. 25, 1804; married James McGregor of Boston, and had five children; died 1887.
 First and second child died young. 3. Fannie died about 1865. 4. Mary Mason[2], married Charles H. Dalton of Boston. 5. Leslie married Frank Morrison of Boston, had three children, Isabelle, Leslie[2], and James McGregor Morrison.

4. PHILIP—born Aug. 30, 1805; lost or died at sea Sept. 8, 1823.

5. JOSHUA—born March 13, 1807; died Sept. 17, 1808.

6. FRANCES—born April 21, 1809; married Thomas M. Smith; died Feb. 14, 1857.

7. AMOS[7]—born May 14, 1811, went to Louisiana in 1828; died there Jan. 31, 1906 at Kentwood, La.

8. GEORGE[7]—born April 12, 1813; married Lucretia Bar-

nard; died Oct. 21, 1883. They had one child, Anna, born 1852 at Amherst, married Charles T. Carruth, June 5, 1884 and resided in Cambridge. They had one son, Charles[2], born Aug. 11, 1887.

9. FREDERICK[7]—born Nov. 22, 1814. He joined his brother Amos in Baton Rouge, La. He was a Lieutenant in the Confederate Army. He died for the cause he loved, April 10, 1864, at Salisbury, N. C. He was married at Baton Rouge, La. to Margaret Irwin. They had eight children, all but three died early,

 1. Adolph, died; 2. Frederick[8], died; 3. Mary, married Hurst of Texas; 4. Fannie, married Didier Favrot of Baton Rouge; 5. Margaret, married Stephen Jones of Baton Rouge; 6. George, died; 7. Charles, died; 8. Elizabeth, died.

The arms of the Kents are blazoned: a chevron between three hawks' heads; the crest is a wolf's head couped.

LOUISIANA HISTORY

AMOS KENT[7] was born in Chester, N. H. May 14, 1811, the son of Amos[6] and Abigail Atherton Kent. At the age of 17, landing in New Orleans, he worked his way to Baton Rouge traveling on foot. Gradually he was able to establish a mercantile business which was dissolved in the depression of 1836. He then located on a farm in St. Helena Parish. On Dec. 26, 1839, he married Susan Fluker, born Aug. 1, 1823, daughter of Col. Robert and Susan Kendrick Fluker, who were pioneers in St. Helena, from the state of Georgia. In 1852 Mr. Kent moved to Greensburg to fill an appointment from Franklin Pierce as Registrar of the Land Office. In 1855, on completion of the New Orleans, Jackson, and Great Northern Railroad through northeastern St. Helena Parish, he moved to that location and operated a sawmill in the virgin yellow pine forest. He built first a small house and later a stately home. Oak Hill, near Cool Creek.

He was overage for service during the Civil War, but all his sons who were old enough, joined the Confederate Army. Once when news came that the Yankee soldiers were out foraging, Mr. Kent had the colored servants prepare a box in which was placed the silver table ware. Late that night he took the silver from the box and hid it under the horse-block which the ladies used when climbing into their side-saddles. He placed bricks in the box to give the right weight. Next morning he had the servants put the box in his buggy and on his way to the mill, he threw the box into Cool Creek.

That section became part of Tangipahoa Parish which was formed in 1869. The railroad became the Illinois Central. In 1888 Mr. Kent assisted some northern promoters in laying out a town on the cut-over pine land. This town was named Kentwood, in his honor.

Amos Kent[7] died Jan. 31, and his wife Sept. 13, 1906.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES AND GENEALOGY OF DESCENDANTS OF AMOS KENT[7]

TO AMOS KENT[7] and Susan Fluker Kent were born 12 children:

I. ABIGAIL MEANS[8]—born Feb. 10, 1841; died Dec. 15, 1910.

II. JAMES FLUKER[8]—born Jan. 17, 1843; died Aug. 18, 1886.

III. JOHN REID[8]—born Oct. 24, 1844; died April 11, 1905.

IV. GEORGE[8]—born Oct. 3, 1846; died April 21, 1883.

V. SUSAN—born May 2, 1848; died Dec. 23, 1923.

VI. THERESA—born Oct. 31, 1850; died Jan. 31, 1930.

VII. CATHERINE ATHERTON—born Sept. 16, 1852; died July 19, 1910.

VIII. AMOS[8]—born July 31, 1856, died March 22, 1857.

IX. FRANCES LEE—born July 18, 1858; died Feb. 10, 1946.

X. WALTER CAMPBELL[8]—born Jan. 29, 1861; died March 7, 1929.

XI. CHARLES ADOLPH[9]—born March 27, 1863.

XII. MARY MASON[3]—born Jan. 2, 1869.

When his children married, Amos Kent[7] presented each with a handsome Family Bible as "The most valuable gift I can bestow."

I. ABIGAIL MEANS KENT[3], daughter of Amos Kent[7], was born in St. Helena Parish, La., Feb. 10, 1841. She was married Sept. 1, 1864 to Obadiah Pearson Amacker, son of Nathaniel and Mosilla Pearson Amacker, born Dec. 17, 1838. He was one of the charter members of the Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity in 1859, at the University of Virginia. Later he attended Law School in New Orleans. During the Civil War he became Lieut.-Col. of the 3rd Reg. La. Cavalry, was captured when Port Hudson fell and was placed in prison on Johnson's Island, Ohio. He was among the few prisoners exchanged at Pt. Maryland, March 10, 1864, and came home to be married. After his discharge, May 12, 1865, at Gainesville, Ala., he and his wife settled in Greensburg, La., where he began the practice of law. Col. Amacker died June 17, and his wife, Abby Kent Amacker died Dec. 15, 1910. Their children:

1. Amos Kent Amacker, born Sept. 13, 1866; died Oct. 7, 1918.
2. Samuel Hezekiah Amacker, born June 24, 1868; died Feb. 8, 1921.
3. Susan Amacker, born Feb. 26, 1871; died June 8, 1871.

At this time Mrs. Amacker became paralyzed, losing the use of her right arm and left leg. The family moved to the newly-formed Tangipahoa Parish where they built "Homewood" on Terry's Creek.

4. Leslie Maud Amacker, born March 17, 1872; married Aug. 11, 1909, to James Alfred Arnett of Wayne Co., Tenn., born Aug. 25, 1874, a teacher and a lawyer. They made their home in Kentwood. Alfred Arnett died Feb. 15, 1936.
5. Alice Means Amacker, born July 9, 1875; died March 22, 1902.
6. Obadiah (Obie) Pearson Amacker[2], born Aug. 4, 1878; died Nov. 1, 1902.
7. Robert Percy Amacker, born March 22, 1880; died June 14, 1927.
8. Walter Kent Amacker, born Nov. 19, 1882; died June 8, 1928.

1. Amos Kent Amacker, son of O. P. Amacker, born Sept. 13, 1866. He graduated from L.S.U. with honor in 1887, and received a medal as the "best-drilled cadet". He was appointed a Major on Governor's staff. After completing the law course he practiced law in New Orleans. He married Nov. 25, 1895 Elizabeth Chalmers Muir. Her parents, David and Mary Nicholson Muir had come to East Carroll Parish La., from Scotland, shortly after the Civil War. Later Kent Amacker brought his family to East Car-

roll Parish and engaged in cotton-growing, finally making his home in Lake Providence, La. He died October 7, 1918. Their children:

(1) David Muir Amacker, born Feb. 26, 1897, was graduated from Princeton in 1917 and from Oxford in 1922. In Jan. 1919, then a second lieutenant, he was assigned to the Secretariat of the American Peace Commission at Paris. Here on a number of occasions he served as interpreter on President Wilson's Committee to draft a League of Nations. He later became an educator and lecturer on International Relations.

(2) Robert Nicholson Amacker, born May 15, 1899. He married Alice Dutton of Shreveport, May 17, 1942. Their children: Margaret Elizabeth Amacker, born May 9, 1944; Robert Nicholson Amacker, Jr., born Oct. 9, 1945; Amos Kent Amacker, III, born June 24, 1948.

(3) Amos Kent Amacker, Jr., born October 23, 1900. He married Emily Jane Dominique of Patterson, La., October 31, 1936. Their child: Donald Kent Amacker born October 30, 1944, legally adopted.

(4) Donald Amacker, died in infancy.

2. Samuel Hezekiah Amacker, son of O. P. Amacker, born June 24, 1868. He married June 1, 1898 Ethel May Miller, whose parents, Mitchell Neville and Catherine Melissa Asslestine Miller, had brought their family a few years before from Switzerville, Ont., Canada. In 1910, resigning as Superintendent of Kent's Mill Sam Amacker moved his family to San Angelo, Texas, because of ill health. He died there Feb. 8, 1921. Their children:

(1) Kenneth Neville Amacker, born March 14, 1899, at Kentwood, La., settled in San Angelo, Texas.

(2) Arthur Overton Amacker, born July 22, 1900, at Kentwood; married Hilda LaRue Conner in San Antonio, Texas; they were divorced in San Angelo, Dec. 18, 1931. He entered the Army Air Force ground Corps in 1942; separated in 1943, a corporal.

(3) Alice Means Amacker[2], born Feb. 19, 1902 at Kentwood, settled in San Angelo, Texas.

7. Robert Percy Amacker, son of O. P. Amacker, born March 22, 1880, married Dec. 13, 1903, Avis Elizabeth Ann Miller, sister of Sam Amacker's wife, Ethel. In 1910 he and his family joined his brother Sam and family in San Angelo, where he engaged in the automobile business. He died there June 14, 1927. Their children:

(1) Evelyn Maud Amacker, born Oct. 16, 1904 in Kentwood. She married June 24, 1926, Dr. John Valton Sessums of San Angelo, born Oct. 3, 1904. He entered the Medical Corps of Army Air Forces in 1942 as Captain, served in the Philippines; separated

July 1946 with rank of Lieut.-Col. Their children: John Valton Sessums[2], born Nov. 11, 1928; Robert Bateman Sessums, born Nov. 6, 1930.

(2) Robert Percy Amacker[2], born July 16, 1906 at Kentwood, La., married Oct. 19, 1933, Velma Tippett of San Angelo, born June 3, 1909. Their children: Laura Avis Amacker, born July 11, 1934; Margrett Elaine Amacker, born July 8, 1937; Carolin Gale Amacker, born Aug. 18, 1940; Robert Kent Amacker, born March 28, 1947.

(3) Elsie Catherine Amacker, born Nov. 12, 1908 at Kentwood, La.; married July 12, 1930 Thomas Hunter Cherry of San Aigelo, born April 30, 1908. He entered the Army 1942 rank of Lieut., separated 1946 rank of Major of Army Service Forces. Their children: Dorothy Evelyn Cherry, born Feb. 24, 1935; Edith Ann Cherry, born May 12, 1940.

(4) Clayton Miller Amacker, born June 11, 1916 in San Angelo, Texas; married Sept. 30, 1940, Jeanne Richie of San Antonio, born Feb. 20, 1917. They settled in Beaumont, Texas. Their children: Jeanne Richie Amacker[2], born June 3, 1942; Joan Carroll Amacker, born Jan. 22, 1945; Judith Anne Amacker, born July 19, 1947.

8. Walter Kent Amacker, son of O. P. Amacker, born Nov. 19, 1882. He was cashier of the Kentwood Bank for many years, later became its president. On Nov. 15, 1911, he married Evelyn Leontine Morris, born Oct. 11, 1889, daughter of B. W. and Ophelia Simmons Morris of Pike County Miss. Their children:

(1) Walter Kent Amacker[2], born Jan. 30, 1914, married June 14, 1938, at Brookhaven, Miss., Kathryn Lucille Wallace, whose parents, J. P. and Lula Collins Wallace brought their family to Kentwood from Sturgis, Ky. W. Kent Amacker[2] settled in Shreveport, La., and superintended a munitions plant at Minden during World War II. Their children: Brenda Kent Amacker, born Nov. 15, 1940, at Greenwood, Miss.; Walter Kent Amacker[3], born June 5, 1942 at Shreveport, La.

(2) Thad Morris Amacker, born Sept. 4, 1917. After graduating on a fellowship at University of Virginia with Ph.D. Degree he entered chemical laboratories of B. F. Goodrich, Akron, Ohio, during World War II, transferring later to Standard Oil Co. at Baton Rouge. June 30, 1942 he married Mary Helon Child, born Dec. 24, 1918, daughter of Earl and Mary Charles Moccaletti Child of Shelby, Miss. Their child, Thad Morris Amacker[2], born

July 25, 1945 at Akron, Ohio. Thad Morris Amacker died Nov. 17 1947, in Kentwood, La.

(3) Obadiah (Obie) Pearson Amocker[3], born Sept. 11, 1920. After graduating at Mississippi College, he served in Government atomic projects at Oak Ridge, Tenn., and Richland, Wash. during World War II, later transferred to General Electric in Richland. On October 11, 1946, he married Hope Cecelia Sloan, at Pasco, Wash. She was with WAC, serving at Richland. Her parents, Cleveland H. and Lucy Wells Sloan were originally from Virginia. They moved to Millport, West Va., where Hope was born, July 13, 1919. Her father died April 1920. The family then settled in Middletown, Ohio.

II. JAMES FLUKER KENT[8], son of Amos Kent[7], born Jan. 17, 1843, in St. Helena Parish. He fought in the Confederate Army, was captured and placed in the Federal Prison on Johnson's Island in Lake Erie where he found two future brothers-in-law, Dr. Charles E. Kennon and Col. O. P. Amacker. While in prison he made several beautiful pieces of jewelry out of the seashells, with gold and gutta-percha buttons, using a penknife. These pieces are now prized heirlooms. Fluker Kent married, Feb. 22, 1866, Lilah Flanagan Amacker, born Aug. 17, 1849. They had 12 children. He built the homestead "Brookside" on Cool's Creek, and joined his father in the brick and lumber business. He died Aug. 18, 1886. Several years later his wife married Wm. F. Auzé. She died Jan. 1911. Their children:

1. Amos Kent[8], born Aug. 20, 1867; died Sept. 20, 1895.
2. John Ellis Kent, born Sept. 17, 1868; died Dec. 13, 1886.
3. Obadiah Amacker Kent, born Nov. 29, 1869; died Sept. 14, 1887.
4. Richard Amacker Kent[5], born June 28, 1871; died Nov 15, 1926.
5. Susan Grace Kent[2], born Aug. 2, 1872.
6. Alma Thompson Kent, born May 9, 1874; died Aug. 10, 1942.
7. Margaret Irwin Kent, born Aug. 30, 1875; died Feb. 20, 1939.
8. Catherine Atherton Kent, born Feb. 22, 1877; died Oct. 26, 1936.
9. Eva Duringer Kent, born Dec. 9, 1878.
10. James Fluker Kent[9], born April 15, 1881. Died Nov. 16, 1948.

11. Will Irwin Kent, born July 28, 1883; died Nov. 29, 1929.
12. Jennie Dean Kent, born Nov. 6, 1885.

1. Amos Kent[8], son of James Fluker Kent[8] was born Aug. 20, 1867. He married Doty Frieler, daughter of John Frieler, at Greensburg, La., July 12, 1888. Their children:

(1) Clyde Rivers Kent, born May 3, 1890; died in Lexington, Ky. April 26, 1932.

(2) Lilah Belle Kent, born Sept. 6, 1891; married Jesse W. Naul, Dec. 26, 1917. One child, Jesse W. Naul[2], born Jan. 25, 1921. In World War II, served as Lieut. U. S. Navy VT82, in air operations over Iwo Jima, Okinawa, and Japan. Married April 21, 1944, Sarah Ellen Tycer, in Tallahassee, Fla. One child, Jesse W. Naul[3], born Sept. 11, 1945. They settled in Kentwood, La.

(3) Richard Amacker Kent[6], born July 19, 1893, married Cecile Bellinger, December 23, 1914. Their children: Frank Kent, born Aug. 16, 1918; married Zelda Yarborough, July 1939. One child Celia Sue, born June 5, 1940. Frank Kent served in World War II. as AM 3/C in Philippines. Jesse Naul Kent, born Aug. 15, 1928.

Amos Kent[8] died Sept. 20, 1895. His wife died Jan. 2, 1949.

4. Richard Amacker Kent[5], son of James Fluker Kent[8], born June 28, 1871. On Jan. 15, 1895, he married Susan Frieler of Greensburg, La., sister of Mrs. Amos Kent[8]. He built a home at Fluker, La., and engaged in manufacturing lumber, mercantile business and farming. He was president of the Kentwood Bank at the time of his death, Nov. 15, 1926. As they married, all the children settled near the homestead except Evelyn, who went to Florida. Their children:

(1) Judith Louise Kent, born Dec. 2, 1897; married Thomas Preston Field, March 28, 1918. They had three children: (1) Thornwell Preston Field, born April 23, 1920. He was Capt. 77 Div. Central Pacific, World War II, served in the Philippines, Japan and Okinawa; married Betty Magruder, Dec. 17, 1942. Their children: Betty Ray Field, born Nov. 9, 1943 and Donna Lee Field, born Oct. 26, 1946; (2) Miriam Susanna Field, born Jan. 15, 1923; married Arthur Hood, Jr., March 22, 1938; their children: Bonnie Sue Hood, born Nov. 27, 1941 and Arthur Preston Hood, born Feb. 4, 1943; (3) Richard Kent Field, born March 26, 1926; S 1/c, California, World War II.

(2) Thomas Womack Kent, born March 14, 1899; married Camille Weishaar, March 28, 1921. Their children: (1) Thomas W. Kent[2], born Dec. 26, 1921; died Dec. 15, 1945; (2) Marie Louise Kent, born Oct. 29, 1923; married Thomas Hood, Dec. 19,

1942; their child: Lindy Lou Hood, born Oct. 24, 1946; (3) Charles Richard Kent[2], born March 10, 1925; served in World War II, Sgt. 1st Cavalry Division, Central Pacific; married, Nov. 25, 1948, Fannie Louise Eldridge of Amite; (4) Donald Earle Kent, born May 24, 1927.

(3) Earle Emile Kent, born Nov. 18, 1901; married Adah Ory, Jan. 15, 1927. Pvt. 2nd Regiment Ft. McClellan, Ala., World War II.

(4) Warren Douglas Kent, born Dec. 9, 1904; married Ione Munson, Aug. 23, 1928; their children: (1) Marilyn Rita, born Aug. 25, 1930; (2) Joan Frances, born Jan. 2, 1933; (3) Warren Douglas, Jr., born Jan. 31, 1937; (4) Madeline Carrol, born March 2, 1943.

(5) Susanna Evelyn Kent, born Sept. 15, 1909, married Lester L. Hale, Sept. 4, 1934; their children: (1) Evelyn Kent Hale, born June 12, 1938, (2) Cynthia Hale, born April 19, 1945, legally adopted.

(6) Isabelle Bethune Kent, born Oct. 17, 1911; married G. Milford Scarle, Dec. 25, 1935; their children: (1) George Milford Scarle, Jr., born April 30, 1940 and Isabelle Scarle born Aug. 15, 1944.

(7) Richard Amacker Kent[8], Jr., born Oct. 16, 1913; married Ursula Compton, Nov. 21, 1936; their children: Ursula Compiton[2], born Jan. 25, 1941; Mary Gwynette, born Dec. 22, 1944; Richard Amacker Kent[9], born Nov. 5, 1947.

5. Susan Grace Kent[3]. Daughter of James Fluker Kent, born Aug. 2, 1872; married Frank O. Gibbs, June 30, 1907. They had one child, Frank Oliver Gibbs[2], born April 4, 1908. Frank Gibbs, Sr. died Feb. 12, 1912. Susie Grace married John Evans of Tangipahoa, June 16, 1915. They lived in Baton Rouge, where he died Oct. 17, 1928. Frank O. Gibbs[2]marr ied May Alice White, Feb. 19, 1933, and built a home near Baton Rouge. Their children: Sarah Sue Gibbs, and Frank O. Gibbs[3], and Janice Gibbs.

6. Alma Thompson Kent, daughter of James Fluker Kent[8], born May 9, 1874; married Henry Habig, June 5, 1900. He died in Baton Rouge, Nov. 23, 1933; she died Aug. 10, 1942. Their children:

(1) Edith Lilah Habig, born July 28, 1902; married Purser

Parker, July 15, 1929. Their children: Henry Lea Parker and Joan Alma Parker.

(2) Dorothy Grace Habig, born Feb. 16, 1903; married Thomas Rowell, Feb. 9, 1946.

7. Margaret Irwin Kent, daughter of James F. Kent[8], born Aug. 30, 1875; married Alfred L. Stoessell, Dec. 19, 1895. They lived in Hammond, La. where he died in 1934. She died Feb. 20, 1939. Their children:

(1) Hulda Kent Stoessell, born Jan. 25, 1897; married June 4, 1919, D. C. Boyd of Dallas, Texas; later they moved to Waco, Tex. Their children: David Boyd, born March 20, 1920; served in Navy 1944-1946, in Japan on occupation duty; married Sept. 9, 1944; Kent Boyd, born Oct. 28, 1925; served in Navy in Japan; Lloyd Boyd, born July 31, 1927; served in Navy, 1945, South Pacific; Joseph Boyd, born Sept. 24, 1933.

(2) Persis Alma Stoessell, born March 28, 1899; married Eddie Mulcay of the U. S. Navy. He died at Hammond, La. They had one child, Margaret Catherine Mulcay. She married Hugh Burris. Their child: Marsha Anne Burris.

(3) Margaret Grace Stoessell, born Aug. 22, 1901; married Thomas Evans, June 12, 1928. Their child, Margaret Anne Evans Margaret G. Stoessell Evans died May 8, 1948 in New Orleans.

(4) Alfred L. Stoessell, Jr., born March 24, 1907; married Marcella Prietta. Their children: Lloyd Kent Stoessell and Marcella Stoessell.

9. Eva Duringer Kent, daughter of James F. Kent[8], born Dec. 9, 1878; married Edgar A. Bassett, Feb. 24, 1901 at Kentwood. They lived for years in Michigan then moved to Los Angeles where he was employed in the post-office until his death May 17, 1946. Their children:

(1) Adrian Bassett, born May 6, 1903.

(2) James Fluker Bassett, born June 5, 1905; married Jan. 9, 1929, Alice Lee Cross of Bell County, Texas. Their child, Edgar Bassett, born Nov. 20, 1930.

(3) Lilah Grace Bassett, born Nov. 12, 1906; married Aug. 1, 1927, Allan A. McFerran of Belfast, Ire. They settled in Detroit, Mich. Their children: (1) Mildred Lucille McFerran, born May

27, 1928; (2) Violet Louise McFerran, born June 19, 1930; (3) Ellen Agnes and Eva Kay McFerran, twin, born July 24, 1941.

(4) Eunice Sarah Bassett, born Sept. 30, 1908; married June 25, 1928, William Byron of Bangor, Ky. They settled in California. Their children: (1) Phyllis Lorraine Byron, born March 23, 1929. (2) William Edgar Byron, born October 23, 1943.

(5) Olive Ethel Bassett, born Feb. 6, 1915, married Aug. 3, 1930, Gordon C. Dumbeck of Canada. They settled in Los Angeles. Their children: Dale Allen Dumbeck, born Feb. 11, 1933; Carol Joan Dumbeck, born Aug. 1, 1934.

10. James Fluker Kent[9], son of James F. Kent[8], born April 15, 1881; married Katherine Evans of Tangipahoa, La., Nov. 6, 1906. They settled in Tangipahoa. James Fluker Kent died Nov. 16, 1948. Their children:

(1) Richard Atherton Kent[7], born May 2, 1908; married Louella McCar. They settled in Tangipahoa. Their children: Richard A. Kent[9], born April 23, 1937; Jack M. Kent, born Nov. 29, 1939; Katie A. Kent, born Dec. 27, 1940; Mary Lou Kent, born Sept. 2, 1946.

(2) John Evans (Beke) Kent[11], born March 17, 1910; married Dorothy Ford, Decfl 8, 1937. Their children: James Fluker Kent[10], born Dec. 25, 1939; John Evans Kent[12], born Aug. 16, 1944.

(3) Margie McCloy Kent, born Nov. 6, 1913; married May 23, 1937, Theodore Williams of Tallahassee, Fla.; a widower with one son, Theodore Williams, Jr. Their children: Margie Kent Williams, born Aug. 31, 1938; Burton Cadus Williams, born Jan. 30, 1943.

11. William Irwin Kent[9], son of James F. Kent[8], born June 28, 1883. Married Lillie Abels of Ponchatoula, La., June 20, 1908. He died Nov. 29, 1929. She died Dec. 5, 1935. Their children:

(1) Helen Edma Kent, born May 22, 1909; married Timothy John Pugh of Ponchatoula, La. They live in New Orleans. Their children: Tim J. Pugh, Jr., born April 27, 1935. John Kent Pugh, born March 7, 1937. Mary Ann Pugh born Feb. 9, 1938. Charles Emmet Pugh, born Sept. 10, 1940. William Irwin Pugh, born Nov. 9, 1944.

(2) Charles Irwin Kent[11], born Nov. 26, 1910; married Rosalie Heagler of California. They settled in Los Angeles. Their children: Darlene Lois Kent, born June 6, 1939; Doris Elaine Kent,

born Nov. 1, 1941.

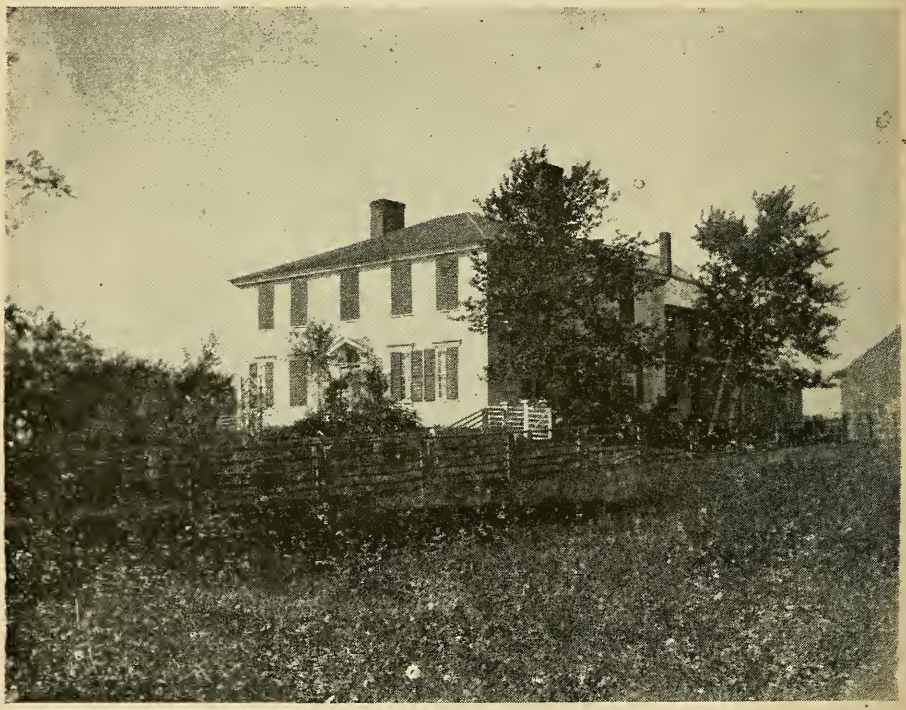
(3) Eleanor Marie (Nell) Kent, born Oct. 17, 1918; married J. Russell Ferguson, April 22, 1939. They settled in Pasadena, Texas. Their child: Johnny Ferguson, born Jan. 27, 1940.

12. Jennie Dean Kent, daughter of James F. Kent[8], born Nov. 6, 1885; married at Kentwood to James D. Stewart, Nov. 8, 1905. Their children:

(1) Mildred Lilah Stewart, born Sept. 4, 1907; died Mar. 12, 1911.

(2) Sarah Catherine Stewart, born Oct. 28, 1908; died Feb. 1937.

(3) James D. Stewart, Jr., born March 2, 19011, married Helen Kyle. Settled near Baton Rouge. Their children: Jacqueline Stewart; James D. Stewart[3]; Roy Kyle Stewart.



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III. JOHN REID KENT[8] son of Amos Kent[7], born Oct. 24, 1844. He joined the 5th Company, Washington Artillery, at Camp Moore with his foster-brother, Capt. John Frieler in 1863. In the battle of Chickamauga a bullet went through his cap and the silk flag on his bayonet. This flag was made for him after the battle of Gettysburg by his sister Abby. He married Clara Ann Gordon, March 12, 1868. John R. Kent died April 11, 1905 and his wife Clara, died Feb. 22, 1924. Their children:

1. Nellie Susan Kent, born Nov. 23, 1868.
2. Mollie Gordon Kent, born Dec. 16, 1869; died Oct. 11, 1927.
3. Nola C. Kent, born June 4, 1875.

IV. GEORGE KENT[8], son of Amos Kent[7], born in St. Helena Parish, Oct. 3, 1846. Though quite young he joined the "Buttermilk Brigade" of the Confederate Army, a group of young soldiers, near the close of the war, they were in no heavy fighting. On Feb. 14, 1867 he married Elizabeth Dean Amacker, born Oct. 28, 1847. He settled on his farm "Hardscrabble" west of Tangipahoa, La. He died there April 21, 1883. His family then moved to the Peck Place of Cook Creek, near Beechwood Academy, the community school. His wife Dean died Dec. 20, 1901. Their children:

1. Nathaniel Amacker Kent[9], born Nov. 8, 1867; died April 29, 1922.
2. Theresa Kent[2], born March 20, 1870; died March 12, 1941.
3. Abigail (Abby) Means Kent[1], born June 26, 1871; died April 29, 1928.
4. Essie Dean Kent, born Sept. 22, 1872; died Nov. 9, 1872.
5. Robert Fluker Kent, born June 16, 1874; died Dec. 26, 1896.
6. John Hezekiah Kent[9], born March 24, 1876; died July 17, 1942.
7. Clara Ann Kent, born Feb. 3, 1878; died March 20, 1946.
8. George Kent[9], born Aug. 2, 1880; died Sept. 28, 1932.
9. Susan (Susie) Fluker Kent[3], born Nov. 13, 1882.

1. Nathaniel Amacker Kent[9], son of George Kent[8], born Nov. 8, 1867. In 1898 he engaged in the import and export business in Havana, Cuba. On October 20, 1904, he was married at Kentwood, to Zoe May Preston, born Feb. 15, 1882 in McComb Co., Michigan, whose parents, E. V. Preston and wife brought their family south. In 1919 Nat Kent settled with his family in Hammond, La., where he lived until his death in a New Orleans hospital, April 29, 1922. Their children:

(1) Marion Dean Kent, born July 23, 1905, in Kentwood, La.;

married June 29 ,1931, in Hammond, La. to Conrad Grant Kidder, born March 5, 1905 in Hammond. Their child: Marion Ruth Kidder, born Jan. 20, 1937 in New Orleans, La.

(2) Stewart Preston Kent, born Feb. 23, 1911 in Havana, Cuba; married Aug. 2, 1941, in Salem, Ill. to Vernie Lee McClung, born July 22, 1913, in Norfolk, Va. Their child: Beverly Dean Kent, born Sept. 28, 1942 in Salem, Ill.

(3) Zoe Mary Kent, born June 28, 1913, in Havana, Cuba; married June 14, 1933 in Hammond, La. to Palk Hebert, born Dec. 9, 1902, in Jeanerette, La. Their child: Zoe May Hebert, born Oct 9, 1935, in New Orleans, La.

2. Theresa Kent[2], daughter of George Kent[8], was born west of Tangipahoa, March 20, 1870. She was married at Beechwood Nov. 15, 1887 to Samuel Louis Broyles of Perryville, Ky. He became a merchant and first postmaster of Kentwood. They celebrated their Golden Wedding, Nov. 15, 1937. Mr. Broyles died July 14, 1940. His wife died March 12, 1941. They had 13 children:

(1) Corinne Broyles, born Aug. 21, 1888; married John Oscar Shoemake, Nov. 12, 1912. They had three sons:

Samuel Russel Shoemake, born and died Dec. 15, 1913.

Louis Broyles Shoemaker, born March 15, 1918; married Martha Knight Dean, Dec. 7, 1940. She was killed in an auto accident, Jan. 18, 1942. Louis Shoemake married his second wife, Dorothy Kemp, Dec. 14, 1942. Their sons: John Lynn Shoemake, born Nov. 20, 1944; Donald Kemp Shoemake born Nov. 5, 1947.

Lynn Mitchell Shoemake, born Feb. 8, 1920; served in the Navy, Pacific Theater in World War II; married Annie Gertrude Woodard in Australia, Jan. 4, 1945.

(2) Margaret Dean Broyles, born Jan. 2, 1890; married March 27, 1912 John Eitel Guess, a druggist. They settled in Hammond, La. They had four children:

Emily Corinne Guess, born Feb. 19, 1913; married John R. Myrick May 30, 1934. Their children: John R. Myrick[2], born July 21, 1935; Dean Kent Myrick, born May 15, 1938; Bruce McIntosh Myrick, born Dec. 18, 1940.

John Eitel Guess[2], born Nov. 25, 19414; served in World War II, as Pharmacist Mate in the Pacific Theater; married Doris Spears, Aug. 6, 1941; their child: Brenda Fay Guess, born July 21, 1942.

Theresa Dean Guess, born Nov. 20, 1916; married Burgess Murray Frost Dec. 20, 1941; their children: Burgess Murray Frost[2], born May 16, 1943; John Meigs Frost, born Nov. 11, 1946.

Fay Kent Guess, born July 15, 1920; married Sept. 16, 1945 to Jerome Gilbert Trowe.

(3) Emily Ruth Broyles, born Oct. 12, 1891; married in Kentwood, June 7, 1911 to Otto Hervig, of Minnesota, born May 18, 1887. They settled in Laurel, Miss. They had one child:

Edna Ruth Hervig, born May 6, 1921; married April 15, 1939 to James Morgan Wilson, born May 18, 1919. They had two children: James Michael Wilson, born Dec. 2, 1940; Anna Kent Wilson, born Nov. 30, 1944.

(4) Leila Broyles, born July 6, 1893, married William Elmer Rubush, June 26, 1912, a building contractor. They settled in Meridian, Miss. They had one child, Elma Ione Rubush, born April 4, 1913. She married April 24, 1936, Bill Rush Mosby. They had three children: Bill Rush Mosby[2], born July 24, 1937, Ella Lee Mosby, born Nov. 24, 1941; Elmer Rubush Mosby, born March 13, 1946.

(5) Samuel Louis Broyles[2], a twin, born March 31, 1897; died 1905.

(6) James Holcomb Broyles, a twin, born March 31, 1897; postmaster at Kentwood. Married Elizabeth Audrey Stewart, June 3, 1925; they had 3 children:

Joyce Broyles, born Aug. 19, 1929; married Leroy J. Fendalson, of Houma, La., August 15, 1948.

Faith Broyles, born Feb. 25, 19[3]2.

Samuel Louis Broyles[3], born Dec. 25, 1937.

(7) Clara Alice Broyles, born Nov. 30, 1898. Married Frederick Clayton Holbrook, a druggist, June 21, 1922. They settled in Baton Rouge, La. They had two children:

Frederick Clayton Holbrook, Jr., born May 1, 1924, died May 15, 1927.

Bettye Jane Holbrook, born June 30, 1928.

(8) Natalie Kent Broyles, born Dec. 18, 1900; married George C. Neelis Oct. 15, 1926. They settled in Hammond, La. They had one child: Carol Ann Neelis, born Sept. 17, 1935.

(9) Willis Green Broyles[3], born Oct. 3, 1903; married Bertha Viola Lewis Oct. 8, 1929. They had one child: Willis Green Broyles, born and died April 7, 1945.

(10) Helen Keller Broyles, born Oct. 2, 1905; married June 14, 1945 to Luther Dayton Neill. They settled in Baton Rouge, La.

(11) Edith Kent Broyles, born May 13, 1907. Married Oct. 15, 1937 to Alvin Marmillion, bank cashier of Ponchatoula, La.

(12) Frederick Wolf Broyles, born Jan. 17, 1909. Married at Magnolia, Miss., Feb. 7, 1945 to Dorothy Sanders, born Sept. 1914.

He served in the Navy in the Pacific Theater, during World War II. He and his wife settled in Magnolia, Miss. They have one child, Carol Yvonne Broyles, born Oct. 8, 1946.

(13) Mary Pope Broyles, born Dec. 14, 1911. Married S. E. Dean of Line Creek, May 9, 1930. Their children:

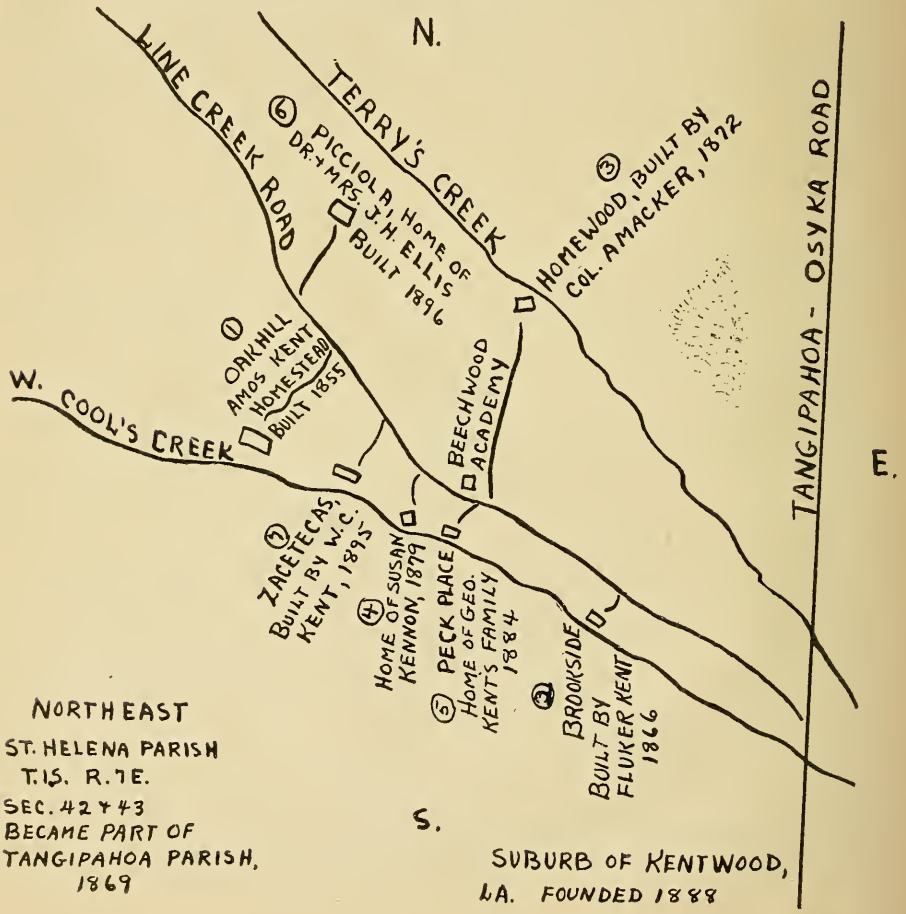
Theresa Frances Dean, born March 5, 1936.

Patsy Pope Dean, born June 25, 1937.

Jesse Louis Dean, born Dec. 7, 1940.

Samuel Louis Broyles was born Feb. 17, 1863 at Perryville, Ky.

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3. Abigail Means Kent[7], daughter of George Kent[8], born June 6, 1871; married Oct. 28, 1890, James Holcomb Muse[2], son of James H. and Elizabeth Amacker Womack Muse, at Beachwood, La. James H. Muse[2] died March 25, 1920, in Chicago, Calif. Abby K. Muse died April 29, 1928 at Hammond, La. Their children:

(1) Irma Lurline Muse, born Jan. 14, 1901; married George Gottsman of Philadelphia, Pa., in Key West, Fla., March 16, 1921. They had one child, Miriam Gottsman, born April 29, 1923. She married Lancaster Gaunt of Johnson City, Tenn. Their child: John Lancaster Gaunt, born Aug. 8, 1944.

(2) James Edward Muse, born Nov. 7, 1912 in Sacramento, California; married Vera Kennedy of Tangipahoa. They settled near Tangipahoa. Their children: Parmys Muse; James E. Muse; Helen Lurline Muse; John Kent Muse; Abby Ann Muse.

6. John Hezekiah Kent[9], son of George Kent[8], born March 24, 1876; married Virginia Georgia Cowdin of Tangipahoa, La., April 3, 1904. He died July 17, 1942. Their children:

Virgie Dean Kent, born Aug. 30, 1906; married Robert Alton Mitchell, July 18, 1933. Their children: Robert Kent Mitchell, born May 8, 1934; Sherwood Anderson Mitchell, born March 29, 1937.

John Cowdin Kent[10], born Oct. 29, 1908; married Mary Frances Blanks, August 14, 1935. Their children: Mary Virginia Kent, born June 5, 1936; Helen Dean Kent, born Dec. 9, 1939; John Blanks Kent[11], born July 12, 1942.

Nathaniel Amacker Kent[10], born Sept. 2, 1911; married Ray Magdeline LeBlanc, April 27, 1940. Their child: Diana Roberta Kent, born Aug. 20, 1942. Nathaniel A. Kent[10], died Feb. 14, 1945.

7. Clara Ann Kent, daughter of George Kent[8], born Feb. 3, 1878; married at Beechwood Sept. 8, 1898 to George Edward Joyal, born Jan. 17, 1868. He died April 27, 1945, and Clara Joyal died March 20, 1946. Their children:

(1) George Edward Joyal, Jr., born Feb. 13, 1900.

(2) Clifford Allen Joyal, born Sept. 6, 1901; married April 26, 1924 to Mildred Esther White, born Aug. 8, 1900. They had one child, Mildred Esther Joyal, born July 27, 1926.

(3) Clara Eloise Joyal, born Dec. 11, 1903; married William Francis Wiedefeld. Their children: Theresa Ann Wiedefeld, born Nov. 12, 1924; Clara Elizabeth Wiedefeld, born Nov. 17, 1925; Frances Eloise Wiedefeld, born Dec. 24, 1930; Ethel Lucille Wiedefeld, born June 19, 1932; William George Wiedefeld, born Aug. 7, 1933.

4() Robert Kent Joyal, born Feb. 21, 1907; died Dec. 12, 1908.

(5) Sarah Ethel Joyal, born June 26, 1909.

(6) Lucille Elsie Joyal, born Feb. 22, 1911; married Galmoree Morris Crawford. One child, Charlotte Ann Crawford, legally adopted.

(7) Elbridge Lorenza Joyal, born Sept. 8, 1913; died Feb. 27, 1915.

(1) George E. Joyal, Jr. joined the U. S. Navy in 1918. He became a lieutenant and served on the west coast during World War II, settled in San Diego and will retire with credit for thirty years service. He married July 22, 1936, Stella Louise Ingram, a widow with three children:

(1) Agnes Louise Bradshaw, born Oct. 16, 1916; married Jan. 12, 1941, Albert Wallace Amick, born Jan. 24, 1906; their children: George Walleen Amick, born Aug. 29, 1942; Wallace Michael Amick, born June 6, 1946.

(2) Margaret Isabel Bradshaw, born Jan. 26, 1919; married, June 22, 1937, Roy Weaver Ayer.

(3) Georgia Virginia Miller, born Jan. 11, 1924; married Dec. 5, 1941, John George Ronis, born Sept. 25, 1922. Their children: George John Ronis, born Sept. 1, 1942; Jan Edward Ronis, born Oct. 5, 1945.

8. George Kent[9], son of George Kent[8], son of Amos Kent[7], born near Tangipahoa, La., Aug. 2, 1880. He joined his brother, Nat, in the shipping business in Havana, Cuba, about 1900. He married, Jan. 1, 1903, Luella Marion Womack of Greensburg, La. Ending a successful business career, he died in Havana, Sept. 28, 1932. His family moved to Fort Worth, Texas, where the oldest son had previously received his college training, had married and settled. Their children:

(1) George Frederick Kent[10], born Dec. 29, 1905 in Havana, Cuba; married Dec. 20, 1927, Dorothy Adams of Houston, Tex. She died Aug. 13, 1946 in Fort Worth. Their children: George Semones Kent[11], born March 16, 1929 at Fort Worth. Lawrence Adams Kent, born Aug. 10, 1931 at Fort Worth.

(2) Norman Shepherd Kent, born Feb. 23, 1908, in Havana. He married Mar. 30, 1935, Helen Elizabeth Gibson, of Hillsboro, Texas. Their child: Kay Sonnels Kent, born Aug. 6, 1936 at Fort Worth.

(3) Sidney Womack Kent, born Feb. 21, 1919, in Havana. He served as instructor, U. S. Army Air Force at Garner Field and Hicks Field, Texas. Eighteen months later, he joined the fifth

Ferrying Command, Love Field, Texas, duties ferrying various types of planes through U. S. and Canada. He died in line of duty while ferrying a heavy bomber from Canada to Charleston, S. C. The accident occurred at 5:30 a. m., April 27, 1944, near Lillington, N. C. He married March 21, 1943, Vernice White, of Alice, Texas. Their child: Sidney Womack Kent, Jr., born Jan. 13, 1944, at Fort Worth.

9. Susan Fluker Kent[4], daughter of George Kent[8], born Nov. 13, 1882, married June 24, 1903, Herbert Broyles of Perryville, Ky., nephew of Sam Broyles, her sister Theresa's husband. They settled in Kentwood. Their children:

(1) Virginia Dean Broyles, born born Oct. 8, 1905, married Leon Conrad Spears May 26, 1926. Their children: Lynne Dean Spears, born July 17, 1928; Leon Conrad Spears, Jr., born Aug. 2, 1929; John Herbert Spears, born April 11, 1932 Bettye Sue Spears, born Sept. 15, 1933.

(2) Elizabeth Broyles, born Dec. 5, 1907; died Jan. 26, 1909.

(3) John Wesley Broyles, born May 9, 1909; married Sept. 5, 1943, Clarice Nigaard, settled in Sterlington, La.

(4) Herbert Broyles, Jr., born Sept. 11, 1910; served in World War II, Sgt. Quartermaster's Corps, South Wales.

V. SUSAN (SUDIE) KENT[2], daughter of Amos Kent[7], born in St. Helena Parish, La. May 2, 1848. Married Sept. 24, 1868, Dr. Charles Erasmus Kennon, born in Mecklenburg Co., Va., April 6, 1839. During the Civil War he was in the Federal prison on Johnson's Island, Ohio with two of his future brothers-in-law, Fluker Kent and Obie Amacker. Dr. Kennon and his family lived in Tangipahoa, La., where he died of yellow fever, Oct. 9, 1878. Susan Kent Kennon died in Kentwood, La., Dec. 23, 1923. Their children:

1. Clement Kennon, born July 14, 1869; died of yellow fever, Oct. 6, 1878.

2. Charles Erasmus Kennon[2], born Nov. 30, 1870; married Adeline McMahon in Tangipahoa, Jan. 11, 1900. He practiced medicine in Kentwood. He died Nov. 18, 1945. Their children:

(1) Lucille, married Arnold H. Knight, they settled in Picayune, Miss. Their children: Arnold Kent Knight; John Randolph Knight, Beverly Jean Knight. Kent Knight married Annie Lee Fuente. Their children: Jean Ann and John Raymond Knight.

(2) Beverly Kennon, married J. Nelson Ball. Their children: J. N. Ball[2], and Beverly Olivia Ball. Settled in Alexandria, La.

(3) Charles Erasmus Kennon[3], served in World War II, Chief Phar. Mate in Ireland and England.

(4) Nelson Randolf Kennon, married Clair Belle Walker;

settled in Port Byron near Moline, Illinois. Their children: Jeanette, Nelson Randolph[2], Margaret and Charles[4].

(5) Adeline Kennon, World War II, WAC, Corporal, served in Europe. Settled in Picayune, Miss.

(6) Will Kennon, married Doris Newsom of Tangipahoa; settled in Baton Rouge, La. Their child: Gloria Faye Kennon.

(7) Clement Read Kennon. Staff Sgt., served first in Canal Zone and later with Patton's Army in Europe. Settled in Picayune, Miss.

3. Catherine A. Kennon, born Aug. 21, 1872; died Sept. 2, 1872.

4. George Atherton Kennon, born Nov. 30, 1873, at Tangipahoa, La.; married Golda Ethel Ellzey, April 18, 1906. Settled in Kentwood, La. George A. Kennon died April 2, 1948. Their children:

(1) Susan (Sudie) Kennon, born April 17, 1907; married Norman Huff Johnson, Jr., of Charlotte, N. C., Aug. 1, 1942. Their child: Alice Baird Johnson, born June 15, 1945.

(2) Helen Kennon, born Aug. 14, 1909. WAC 2nd Lt. Served at Camp Claiborne, Alexandria, La., Army Air Base, Laurel, Miss., Dibble Hospital, Calif.; Lawson Hospital, Atlanta, Ga., Oliver General Hospital, Augusta, Ga., now serving in Japan.

(3) George Atherton Kennon, Jr., born May 9, 1913. Married at Gulfport, Miss., Carol McAlpin, April 22, 1939. Served in World War II, in Army in Europe. Their children: George Atherton[3], born Jan. 9, 1941 in Laurel, Miss; Karen Linda, born July 8, 1942 in Laurel, Miss.; Beverly Kathleen, born May 13, 1945 in Laurel, Miss.

5. Herbert Kennon, born Sept. 22, 1875; died of yellow fever Oct. 20, 1878.

6. Roberta Beverly Kennon, born June 16, 1877; married Luther Edward Carruth, a druggist in Kentwood, Oct. 5, 1910. Later they settled in Ponchatoula, La., where she died in 1931. Their children:

(1) Luther Edward Carruth, Jr., born Nov. 19, 1911. He was Chief Phar. Mate 4th Amphibian Tractor Bt., Fleet Marines; invasion of the Marshalls, Siapan, Guam and Okinawa. He married Garnet Gertrude Torrence, Nov. 25, 1941.

(2) Anna Kent Carruth[2], born March 19, 1913; married

John Brooks Simpson, Sept. 29, 1938. Their children: John Brooks Simpson, Jr., born Nov. 5, 1939; James Carruth Simpson, born Feb. 25, 1940; Beverly Jean Simpson, born Aug. 11, 1942; Lee Davis Simpson, born Feb. 12, 1947.

(3) Walter Kent Carruth, born Oct. 23, 1915. In World War II he was in Naval Intelligence, Chief Petty Officer, stationed in New Orleans, Great Lakes Training School, Washington, D. C., and Hawaii.

(4) Julian Read Carruth, born Sept. 20, 1919. In World War II, he was a Major in 23rd Division Infantry Artillery, served in Hawaii, New Guinea, Netherlands East Indies, North Luzon, and Japan. Married Sidney Nicolle in Baton Rouge, June 8, 1947.

7. Edwin Bouldin Kennon, born April 23, 1879; married Nov. 24, 1909, Maud Edna Woolver, born Aug. 25, 1885, at Monsville, N. Y. They settled at "Delmaud" in Kentwood. Maud Woolver Kennon died Sept. 16, 1936. Their children:

(1) Paul Atherton Kennon, born Oct. 16, 1910; married Gladys M. Bookout, Dec. 25, 1931; they had one child, Paul A. Kennon, Jr., born Jan. 27, 1934. Paul and Gladys were divorced in 1940. Paul Kennon married Madge M. Woods, May 2, 1941; they had one child, Donald Wilson Kennon, born Oct. 31, 1942. Paul Kennon had a stepson, Herbert Morton Woods.

(2) Dorothy Kennon, born April 10, 1912; married Joseph Otto Broussard, Jr., June 1, 1935. They settled first in Abbeville, La., then moved to Houston, Texas. Their children: Joseph O. Broussard[3], born Jan. 3, 1938; Raoul Kennon Broussard, born Dec. 11, 1941; Maranna Broussard, born Sept. 4, 1943; Beverly Broussard born June 10, 1947.

(3) Frederick Woolver Kennon, born Dec. 16, 1913; married Lucille Sanders, Dec. 12, 1930. Settled in Baton Rouge, La. They had one child, Frederick Allen Kennon, born Feb. 28, 1932.

(4) Edwin Bouldin Kennon, Jr., born Dec. 6, 1920.

VII. CATHERINE ATHERTON KENT, born Sept. 16, 1852; married 1894, Fred Douglas Woolver, a widower of Monsville, N. Y. who had one child, Maud Edna Woolver. They built a home, Delmaud, in Kentwood. Catherine Kent Woolver died July 19, 1910. Fred D. Woolver died in 1928. Maud Woolver married E. B. Kennon; their children are listed with the Kennon Family.

IX. FRANCES (FANNIE) LEE KENT[2], born July 18, 1858; she married Charles W. Tate. For many years he was a merchant in Kentwood. He died March 27, 1919. Fannie Kent Tate died Feb 10, 1946. Their children:

1. Ethel B. Tate, born Dec. 5, 1882; died Sept. 25, 1889.
2. Everette A. Tate, born April 14, 1885; died Oct. 1, 1887.
3. Ayline M. Tate, born March 29, 1888; married Albert Hanford Reeves, May 23, 1909. Their children:

(1) Everette Charles Reeves, born Nov. 21, 1909; died April 13, 1910.

(2) Inez Reeves, born Oct. 30, 1910; became a nurse, married in "The Church in the Wildwood" near Nashua, Iowa, Dr. Henry T. Bourland of Miss. They settled in Philadelphia, Pa. Their children: William Henry Bourland, born Jan. 3, 1941, legally adopted; Inez Gayle Bourland, born Sept. 23, 1943.

(3) Esmond Reeves, born April 14, 1912; died May 14, 1912.

(4) Albert Hanford Reeves, Jr., born June 14, 1922.

4. Louise A. Tate, born Dec 10, 1890; died Oct. 23, 1918.
5. Genevieve Tate, born Oct. 18, 1893. Married May 5, 1910, Barney Elvis Koon, of Illinois. Their children:

(1) Barney Elvis Koon, Jr., born July 2, 1911; married Imelda Ford, Dec. 8, 1931. They settled in Winnie, Texas. Their child, Warren Elvis Koon, born Sept. 1948, legally adopted.

(2) John Reid Koon, born Sept. 7, 1912; married Ottoma Marsh of New Orleans. Their children: John Reid Koon, born 1935; Ruth Koon, born 1936; Mary Matilda Koon, born 1941; Norma Genevieve Koon, born 1944.

6. Frances (Fannie) Lee Tate[2], born May 3, 1895, married Andrew Jackson Erwin, Sept. 13, 1915. Their children:

(1) Tom Clark Erwin, born May 28, 1916; married Katherine Stehr of Alexandria, La. Their children: Katherine Rebecca Erwin, born Jan. 12, 1941; Tom Lee Erwin, born June 15, 1945.

(2) Frank Enley Erwin, born Dec. 28, 1935.

7. Olive Adelle Tate, born Sept. 10, 1897; married George Clark Erwin. She died March 15, 1926. Their children:

(1) Clarence Waddell Erwin, died in infancy.

(2) Charles Tate Erwin, born March 13, 1919, married Frances Juanita Harden in Shreveport, La., April 15, 1938. Their children: William Clark Erwin, born Jan. 17, 1939; Frances Jeanine Erwin, born Feb. 16, 1942; Charles Tate Erwin[2], born Sept. 23, 1943.

X. WALTER CAMPBELL KENT[8], born Jan. 29, 1861. After graduation at V. M. I. he went with other engineers to build railways in Mexico. Later he joined his father in lumber manufacturing and mercantile business. On Sept. 28, 1894 he married Katherine Esther Varnado of Amite, La., and built the home Zacetacas, on Cool Creek. He died March 7, 1929. Their children:

1. Doris and Dorothy Kent, twins, born Sept. 21, 1896. Dorothy died Sept. 22, 1896. Doris married Frank DeVilleneuve LeBlanc of New Orleans, June 21, 1921. They settled in New Orleans. They had one child: (1) Katherine DeVilleneuve LeBlanc, born Nov. 17, 1922. Katherine married during World War II in New York, Dec., 1944, Lieut. Carl Joseph Scoberle, Jr., of Dallas, Texas, attached to a Destroyer Escort operating out of New York. He crossed the Atlantic 28 times, operated in the Mediterranean and last in the Pacific. They settled in Dallas. Their son, Carl J. Scoberle[3], was born Dec. 30, 1947.

2. Esther Kent, born Nov. 11, 1898; settled in New Orleans.

3. Amos Kent[9], born June 3, 1902; married Edna Brunson of Meridian, Miss., Nov. 2, 1934. They settled in the homestead, Zacetacas. Like his father and grandfather, he carried on a lumber manufacturing business. They had one child: Abigail Esther Kent[5], born in Jacksonville, Fla., Nov. 22, 1939.

4. Walter Campbell Kent[9], born Oct. 31, 1904. He married Marie Brown in Shanghai, China, March 25, 1935. Walter C. Kent, Jr., was pilot for China National Airways, was killed by Japanese who bombed and machine-gunned his grounded plane after he had made an emergency landing Oct. 29, 1940, at Changyi, China. One child, Peter Kent, was born in Shanghai, China, Aug. 11, 1937. He lives with his mother, now Marie Brown Clay, in Santa Maria, Calif.

XI. CHARLES ADOLPH KENT[9], born March 7, 1863; died Jan. 12, 1949, at Kentwood, La. He went into the building materials business in New Orleans, and married Louise Fredericks in 1888. She died Aug. 17, 1889. He married Edith Ritson, Dec. 9, 1891. They had two sons: Hermes and Charles[10]. Later he moved his family to Kentwood and established the town's first ice factory. Edith R. Kent died Jan. 7, 1931. Charles[9] married Daisy Funk Stone, a widow of Henry C. Stone, Jan. 21, 1933.

1. Hermes Kent, born June 12, 1892; married Mack[illegible] McDonald. They were divorced. He married Emily Sullivan, born Dec. 20, 1900. They had one child Hermes Kent, Jr., born March 27, 1921; died April 6, 1921. Emily S. Kent died Jan. 7, 1925. Hermes Kent married Theresa Hyde of Chesbrough.

2. Charles Adolph Kent[10], born March 4, 1894; married Estelle Prescott. After several years in the ice-factory he established a grocery and hardware business. Their children:

(1) Athalee Kent, born May 3, 1921; married Hugh Andrews Carroll of Hammond, La. In World War II, he was Sgt. in the Air Corps. Their child: Madeline Kay Carroll, born April 3, 1943.

(2) Lillian Kent, born Nov. 3, 1925; married Houston Carter Jenks of Hammond, La. Their child, Barbara Sue, born Dec. 1, 1948.

XII. MARY MASON KENT[2], born Jan. 2, 1869; married Dr. John Hamilton Ellis of Amite, Dec. 17, 1890. They built their home, Picciola, on Terry's Creek. They had one child: Emily Ellis, born Aug. 15, 1907. Dr. Ellis died June 1, 1920.

1. Emily Ellis married July 1, 1930, Robert Lawrence Owen. Their children: (1) Robert Lawrence Owen, Jr., born Jan. 19, 1932; (2) Mary Kent Owen, born July 19, 1933; (3) John Ellis Owen, born April 22, 1942; (4) Frank LeBlanc Owen, born Nov. 15, 1946.

O, though oft depressed and lonely,
All my fears are laid aside
If I but remember only
Such as these have lived and died.
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